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Subject: USSR - Data on the Ports of Odessa, Kherson, Zhdanov.

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The ship on its way to Odessa, arrived at Fidonisi 25%

The name of the ship was demanded via semaphore.

At Odessa (1140 hours of the same day), the ship rode at anchor while waiting for the pilot and the escort to Kherson, which arrived after about an hour. Outside the port, the floating dock brought there from Kherson. The ship then continued on to Kherson, arrived there at 2300 hours, and remained in the roadstead. The ship's clearance was soon begun and accomplished in a more expeditious and simple manner than on preceding trips. (As usual, the only arms and transmitters were sealed.)

At about 0500 hours on 21/7, there was a strong wind with violent squalls. The storm was followed by a torrential rain. The inhabitants there said there had never been anything at like it before. The storm was over at 0830 hours and the ship moored at the wharf to unload the load of sulfur. The workers who did the unloading wore goggles, masks, and aprons. Also, there were a woman doctor and a nurse always present on the wharf in front of the warehouses. (Whereas, in the port docked at previously, the dockworkers unloaded without all that and in the presence of the Soviet ingineer.)

On Sunday the 22d, after continuous grumbling by the workers
who were working at a very slow pace, it was decided to hold a talk
the next day. Following the talk, it was decided to increase their
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wage during the unloading of the sulfur and they resumed work

Streets in the The city of Kherson are in very bad condition (unpaved, muddy, full of puddles), except for the main street, which is treed and well kept.

Everywhere in the public offices and stores there were pictures of Stalin to be seen, often along with a picture of Lenin. In the public of materials fabrics clothing stores, the prices were high: summer for women cost from 8 to 35 rubles a meter and cotton shirts for men cost 112-120 and 180 rubles each.

A beggar who was begging at the corner of the main street and whom the passersby would give a small coin was made to move off when the seamen passed.

| While talking with the customs official, | the | 25 |
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| extremely bad water situation in Nicolaiew, where the water is bring | ny, while | |
| that at Kherson is good. Kherson i | s being | 25 |
| transformed from an agricultural to an industrial center. In fac | t, there | |
| is a migration from the country to the city and there are families | continually | |
| arriving at the stations with their household goods. | | 25 |
| the long queues of people in front of the brea | ad shops, | 25 25 |
| the official replied: "Temporary shortage of food as a result of the | he | |
| increase in population." The official also said that the farms | were | |
| collectivized at that the farmers preferred it that way | so as | |
| to be able to use farm machinery which they could not otherwise ob | tain. | |
| When the harvest is going bad, the state helps to make up the defi- | cit of | |
| the cooperatives if the situation was brought on by bad weather. | | |

| An escort officer and the pilot conversed during | Ω Ε' |
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| the trip from Zdhanov to Kertch. Among the things they said, they | 25) 25 |
| lacement complained that Russian seamen encounter many restrictions | 25 |
| (for example, only 4 hours shore leave), whereas seamen | |
| in Russia have no limit set on their shore leave hours. They also told | 2 |
| him that two Interclubs were being water planned, one for Kherson | |
| and another for Zdhanov. | |
| on the trip from Odessa to Kherson, an escort officer who a soccer | |
| fan asked to let him listen to the radio news about the game | |
| being played in Moscow. He pointed out that the fleet's seccer team | |
| is very good, saying that it was too bad that the team plays only in | |
| Sevastopol and never goes to Odessal | |
| The pilot at Kertch gave the the coordinates of a large | |
| zone restrict set aside for naval maneuvers and in which no navigation | |
| was permitted, as follows: | |
| Latitude: from 44°52' North | |
| Longitude: from 36°12'50" to 36°47' East. | |
| On both the trip to and from the area, the | |
| passed close by the abovementioned zone at night, | |
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| On the return trip, ship stopped at Odessa to refuel, from 0900 | |
| to 1800 hours The inspection aboard the ship tank was made | |
| only upon the departure and lasted a few minutes. The inspection at | |
| Zdhanov was very brief and, upon departing, the ship was inspected at | |
| the same wharf where the loading took place (whereas on a previous trip, | |
| the ship had to present drop anchor in the port after the loading was done). | |
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Naval Vessels Encountered

| Only Min Minesweeper | was in the port of Odessa. | 25 X 1 |
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| Minesweepers | were outside the port. | 25 X 1 |
| Minesweepers | were outside the port of Zhdanov. | 25 X 1 |
| Opposite Yalta, there wa | s seen from a great distance a heavy | |

Merchant Vessels in Odessa Port

cruiser, which was headed west, probably on its way to Sevastopol.

| Name translitoration | 6 Description |
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| From the Marcial g | Sailing vessely two |
| Iyestev | holds 1,500-ton, hull, 25X1 superstructure |
| Ekvator | 12,000-ton passenger ship, hull and 25X1 superstructure, radar |
| Gudrmes | Motor-driven tanker, 7,000 tons, deck amidships, racky at the stern, hull, superstructure 25X1 |
| Keruv | Motor-driven tanker, same as above |
| Umsouf | Same as above, but 8,000 tons. |
| Vostok | 7,000-ton steamer, 4 holds deck and engine amidships, hull, superstructure 25X1 |
| Sotsa | Yugoslav motor ship, 800 tons, 2 holds engine and deck at the stern, hull, 25X1 25X1 |
| Svet | Naphtha tanker, 1,000-ton capacity |
| | Same as abore large |
| | 400-ton hange tugboat for manier service 25X1 on high seas |
| Rnon | bow 800-ton turbine-driven dredger, funnel at maken, deck almost at stern, hold for _dredged/ mud |
| Gruz iya | 10,000-ton passenger ship, hull and 25X1 superstructure, radar |

Merchant Vessels in Kherson Port

| Name | <u>Description</u> |
|----------|---|
| Nekrasov | 500-ton river passenger ship with blades and propeller, 2 bridges 25X1 |
| Salvrnsu | 800-ton passenger ship, hull, graph 25X superstructure. Pand direction finder |
| | Small tugboat for local use 25X |
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| | th th to so so |
| | Unpowered, uncovered transport vessel, 800 tons |
| Alazer | Motor-deiven takker, 500 tons, hull, superstructure, 3 holds, woodie trieg vo ph and divection finder |
| Manyy | 1,500-ton motor ship, engine and deck astern, 25X1 3 holds, radio direction finder |
| Estoniya | 800-ton motor ship, engine astern, one hold |
| Guryat | 500-ton motor ship, 3 holds without booms, engine amidships |
| | River transport ship, 800 tons, covered with 25X planks, no engine |
| | " , 1,000 tons, iron super- structure |
| | , 1,000 tons, engine astern, one hold, no booms |
| | n n , 1,000 tons, no engine |
| | , 500 tons, 2 covered holds with several compartments |
| | , 1,000 tons, one hold with several compartments |
| | " , 1,500 tons, 4 holds |
| | " " , 1,500 tons, 3 holds |
| | " ", 1,000 tons, 3 holds |
| | " , 1,500 tons, one hold |
| | " ", 800 tons, 3 holds, deck astern |
| | " , 800 tons, one hold |

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| Aktav | 500-ton motor ship, deck and engine astern, 25X1 hull, superstructure 25X |
| Sonedar | superstructure, 3 holds, the superstructure, 3 holds, the superstructure, 25X and in telegraph, direction finder |
| | Merchant Vessels in Zhdanov Port 25X1 |
| Zemlyak | 2,500-ton motor ship, 2 holds, engine and 25X1 decks astern |
| Tayganos | 5,000-ton steamer, 4 holds, hull, superstructure |
| Prenj | Yugoslav ship already in port the last time |
| Ukaiovsk | 5,000-ton steamer, 4 holds |
| Umririn | 5,000-ton steamer, 4 holds 25X1 |
| Drarat | 7,000-ton oil tanker, hull, super- 25X |
| Don | 1,200-ton motor ship, engine astern, deck 25X amidship, hull, superstructure 25X |
| Iaviodar | 7,000-ton motor ship, 4 holds, engine astern, deck amidship |
| Tikhvik | 800-ton motor ship, 2 holds, engine and deck astern |
| Matsesta | 2,000-ton steamer, 3 holds, engine and deck amidship |
| Yefteri | 7,000-ton oil tanker, hull, deck amidship, engine astern |
| Pervomaysk | 5,000-ton motor ship, 4 holds, deck and engine astern |
| Sea mar | 5,000-ton transport ship, no engine, deck astern, 2 large holds with several compartments 25X1 |
| Pliyetsk | 5,000-ton steamer, 4 holds, hull, 25X superstructure |
| Solikamsk | 5,000-ton motor ship, 4 holds, deck amidship, engine astern |
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Zhdenov Port (continued)

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Zlatoust

5,000-ton motor ship, 4 holds, deck amidship, engine astern

Massanora

3,500-ton motor ship, 4 holds, engine astern,

deck amidship

25X1

Chernitov

7,000-ton steamer, engine and deck amidship, 25X1

4 holds, hull, superstructure, radio, radar direction finder

Traktorist

3,000-ton motor ship, 2 holds, deck and

engine astern

